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PATENT APPLICATION

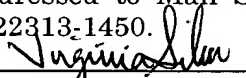
**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

Applicant(s): Kazuyuki Yokoyama, et al.      Group Art Unit: 2854  
Serial No.: 10/647,870      Examiner: Wasseem H. Hamdan  
Filed: August 25, 2003  
Title: PRINTING METHOD, RECORDING MEDIUM CONTAINING A PROGRAM FOR  
APPLYING THE PRINTING METHOD, PRINTER, PRINTER DRIVER, POS  
TERMINAL, AND POS SYSTEM

**CERTIFICATE OF MAILING**

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Date: August 5, 2004

  
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**SUBMISSION OF FORMAL DRAWINGS  
AND  
PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME (IF REQUIRED)**

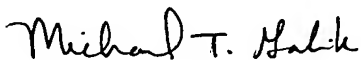
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Sir:

Enclosed are corrected drawings which are being submitted in response to the Notice of Allowability dated May 17, 2004, consisting of two (2) replacement sheets for Fig. 1 and Fig. 3 respectively. Please enter these drawings in the application so that it may pass to issue.

Applicant believes that no extension of time is required. However, this conditional petition is being made to provide for the possibility that Applicant has inadvertently overlooked the need for a petition for extension of time. The Commissioner is hereby authorized to charge payment of the fee for such extension of time to our Deposit Account No.: 19-2746.

Respectfully submitted,



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